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New Brunswick, N.J. October 12, 1926

Re: Relationship existing between Dr. Hall and Mrs.Mills

As per your request I had a talk with Charles F. Stryker, a former employee of Mrs. Hall. Stryker is at present working as caretaker of the Friedman Estate at Colonia, N.J.

He left the employ of Mrs. Hall a short time before the murder and claims that he never saw or heard anything which would tend to show anything wrong around Mrs. Hall's home or to indicate Dr. Hall's fondness for Mrs. Mills.

During the present investgiation Simspon has had him to Somerville for questioning. It seems that during the summer months when Dr. and Mrs. Hall would be away on their vacations, Stryker gave both Mrs. Mills and Mrs. Murray various vegetables from the garden as they would ripen. Simpson endeavored to show that Stryker favored Mrs. Mills in accordance with orders he had received from Dr. Hall. Stryker claims, however, that in giving the vegetables to these two women he was acting under instructions from Mrs. Hall and that she so informed Simpson.

Respectfully yours,
DAVID THOMES ON